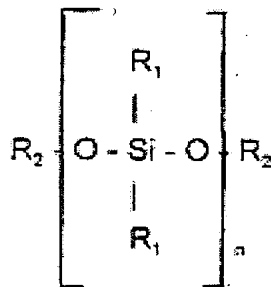


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions,
and listings, of claims in the application:

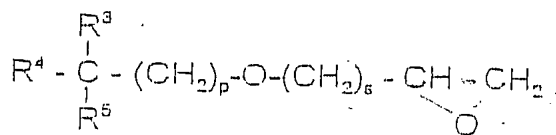
LISTING OF CLAIMS:

- 1-7. (canceled)
8. (currently amended) A composition comprising:
a resin constituent which includes
- i) a non-aromatic epoxy resin,
 - ii) a polysiloxane having the formula:

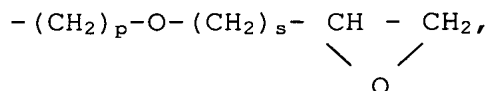


where $[[R^1]]$ R_1 is a hydroxyl or an alkyl, aryl or alkoxy group having up to 6 carbon atoms, $[[R^2]]$ R_2 is a hydrogen or an alkyl or aryl group having up to 6 carbon atoms and n is a number selected so that the molar mass of the polysiloxane is within the range of 400 to 2000, and

- iii) an epoxy silane which acts as a crosslinking agent between the epoxy and siloxane chains, wherein the non-aromatic epoxy resin is a branched aliphatic epoxy resin, wherein the aliphatic epoxy resin has the formula

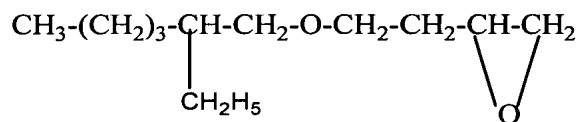


where p is an integer between 0 and 3, s is an integer between 1 and 3, R³ and R⁴ represent independently C₁₋₆alkyl or a group



where p and s are as defined above and R⁵ is hydrogen, C₁₋₆alkyl or a group $-(CH_2)_p-O-(CH_2)_s-\begin{array}{c} \text{CH} - \text{CH}_2 \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ \text{O} \end{array}$, where p and s are as defined above,

and wherein the aliphatic epoxy resin has the formula



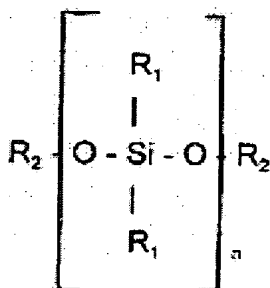
9-12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended) A composition consisting essentially of:

a resin constituent which includes

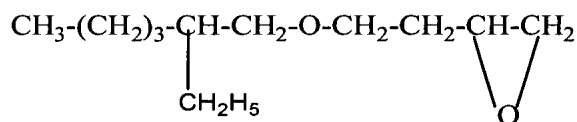
i) a non-aromatic epoxy resin,

ii) a polysiloxane having the formula:



where $[[R^1]]$ R_1 is a hydroxyl or an alkyl, aryl or alkoxy group having up to 6 carbon atoms, $[[R^2]]$ R_2 is a hydrogen or an alkyl or aryl group having up to 6 carbon atoms and n is a number selected so that the molar mass of the polysiloxane is within the range of 400 to 2000, and

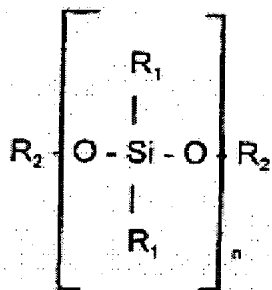
iii) an epoxy silane which acts as a crosslinking agent between the epoxy and siloxane chains, wherein the aliphatic epoxy resin has the formula



14. (currently amended) A composition consisting essentially of:

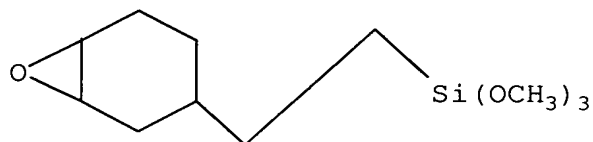
a resin constituent which includes

- i) a non-aromatic epoxy resin,
- ii) a polysiloxane having the formula:



where $[[R^1]]$ \underline{R}_1 is a hydroxyl or an alkyl, aryl or alkoxy group having up to 6 carbon atoms, $[[R^2]]$ \underline{R}_2 is a hydrogen or an alkyl or aryl group having up to 6 carbon atoms and n is a number selected so that the molar mass of the polysiloxane is within the range of 400 to 2000, and

iii) an epoxy silane which acts as a crosslinking agent between the epoxy and siloxane chains, wherein the epoxy silane has the formula



15-18. (canceled)